

Contemporary Literature

A one-semester elective English class



What will students study?

1. Novels, short stories, plays

- *Anthem
- *House of the Scorpion
- *Lord of the Flies
- *Tuesdays with Morrie
- *Witness for the Prosecution
- *The Glass Menagerie

*Film Analysis: The Five People You
Meet in Heaven*

*Projects will accompany most units of
study.*

2. Strategies for developing reading skills

- *Text to Text Connections
- *Text to Self Connections
- *Text to World Connections

3. Strategies for life-long learning

- *Cooperative learning
- *Critical thinking skills
- *Social skills
- *Study skills



How will students be graded?

- Unit Tests — 30%
- Projects—20%
- Quizzes—15%
- Daily Work—10%
- Nine Weeks Exam—25%

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What supplies are needed?

1. a three-ring binder or 2-pocket folder
2. loose-leaf paper or notebook
3. blue or black ink pen
4. pencil
5. tabbed dividers (optional)

What is expected of students?

1. Bring all textbooks and supplies every day.
2. Save all worksheets, quizzes, tests, notes, etc. in a notebook.
3. Bring completed homework to class when due.
4. Complete assignments on time. Late work is accepted at a 50% penalty.
5. Behave courteously and cooperatively. Show Pekin **PRIDE**:

**Purpose, Respect, Impulse control,
Dedication, and Excellence**

What if I'm absent?

1. It is the absentee's responsibility to make up all work within the time allowed in the school handbook.
2. Students should retrieve make-up work from the designated location in the classroom.
3. Conversations about make-up work need to be held outside of class time.



